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AMENDMENT

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed November 27, 2006, and in accordance with the accompanying One-Month Petition for Extension of Time, please enter the following amendments and remarks:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 6 of this paper.